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SENATE RESOLUTION

MADAM PRESIDENT:

I offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

A SENATE RESOLUTION to honor Skylar Diggi

2	Whereas, Skylar Kierra Diggins, a native of South Bend
3	Indiana, was selected as the 3rd overall draft pick in the 2013
1	WNBA draft by the Tulsa Shock;

Whereas, Skylar played four years as a starter for the South Bend Washington High School Panthers, and attended college at the University of Notre Dame, where she was one of the nation's premier point guards for the Lady Irish all four years;

Whereas, At Washington High School, Skylar led the Panthers to four consecutive state championship games and one State Championship in 2007. In her senior year, she averaged a state-best 29 points per game;

Whereas, At the University of Notre Dame, Skylar led the Lady Irish to their second and third championship game appearances, and a Big East regular season title. She was selected to participate on a variety of honorary basketball teams, including the 2011 State Farm Coaches All-America Team. Her participation on this team made her one of only two sophomores to receive the honor, and she was the third Lady

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1 Irish player in the school's history to be selected. She leaves 2 Notre Dame with a 119-19 record;

Whereas, Skylar has already earned a multitude of awards in her basketball career, including consecutive Big East Player of the Year awards in 2012 and 2013, consecutive Associated Press All-American First Team in 2012 and 2013, Most Outstanding Player of the 2011 NCAA Dayton Regional, 2009 consensus Naismith Prep Player of the Year, 2009 Indiana Miss Basketball, 2009 South Bend Tribune Girls' Athlete of the Year, two-time MaxPreps Indiana Player of the Year in 2008 and 2009, consecutive Gatorade Player of the Year awards in 2008 and 2009, and she was a McDonald's All-American coming out of high school;

Whereas, Skylar finished her high school career with 2,790 points, the third highest girl's scoring total in Indiana history. She finished college as the first Lady Irish player to register 600 points, 200 assists, and 100 steals in a single season, beat the Notre Dame career scoring record with a total of 2,131 career points, and has the second most career assists of either gender in the university's history;

Whereas, Skylar was part of the United States team that went undefeated and won the gold medal at the 2008 FIBA Under-18 Americas Championship in Buenos Aires, Argentina. She started all five games, and ranked among the top 10 in the entire tournament in scoring, field goal percentage, assists, steals, and assist-to-turnover ratio. The following year, she was selected as a United States co-captain for the FIBA Under-19 World Championship in Bangkok, Thailand;

Whereas, Skylar is the daughter of Renee Scott and Tige Diggins, stepdaugther to Maurice Scott, and sister to Destyn Diggins, Maurice Scott, Jr., Tige Diggins, Jr., and Haneefah Davis;

Whereas, When not playing basketball, Skylar has served

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1	as a physician's assistant intern in Washington's Medical
2	Magnet Program, volunteered with the national Young Life
3	ministry, participated in the Educational Talent Search and
4	Project Excel Programs, and has participated in youth
5	empowerment, leadership, and educational enrichment
6	programs on behalf of the Girlfriends Group; and
7	Whereas, Skylar is known for her mental toughness, superb
8	athletic ability, maturity, creativity, and being an energetic and
9	passionate leader that inspires those around her: Therefore,
10	Be it resolved by the Senate of the
11	General Assembly of the State of Indiana:
12	SECTION 1. The Indiana General Assembly honors Skylar
13	Diggins on her success in basketball and wishes her well in the WNBA.
14	SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Senate is hereby directed to
15	transmit a copy of this Resolution to Skylar Diggins.

